

## ON THE HIGH SEAS.

## Services Held on Board Snowdon En Route for New York.

The War Cry says that the British bark Snowdon, from Honolulu, laden with sugar, and at present anchored off Liberty Island, in the upper bay, has the distinction of not only having a crew that is international in make-up, but that, with one exception, every man is well saved and in the truest sense of the word followers of Jesus Christ. An air of peace and happiness pervades the very atmosphere of the bark as the hardy sailors, with willing hearts and glad salvation songs, work the vessel into port.

The men have all been brought to a knowledge of the truth in Christ by the untiring zeal and the devotion of Paul Korn, an able seaman, himself a recent convert of the army at Port Adelaide.

Paul Korn is 26 years of age, of tall and muscular build. A long, black beard falls over his chest, while his eyes are deep-set and kindly in their regard. Korn was born in Berlin and educated in that city. He went to sea when he was 16 years old, and has been going to sea ever since. According to his own description, he was no better and no worse than the ordinary run of sailor folk up to the time of his conversion at Port Adelaide. But since that happy day he has traveled in the straight path, and has pleaded with others to do the same.

Meetings were held Sunday on the main deck. The men found seats on the spare spars lashed there, while Korn, who conducted the services, stood behind a hatch, that served him as a pulpit.

The meeting was conducted in Salvation Army style, to the accompaniment of the music of the bass-drum and the singing of familiar songs. All the men joined lustily in the singing. "Religion in Silver Slippers" was the subject of an original salvation talk by Korn.

In speaking of the men, Captain Rowland said: "I have had this crew 17 months, and have had no trouble of any kind with the men. They are all well behaved, and give great satisfaction." The captain attended all the services without participating in them. But he encouraged them, and the result was it is the happiest voyage of his life.



GENERAL CONSTANTINE SMOLENSKI.

General Smolenski, the Greek leader, who repulsed the Turks at Velestino and other places, is 55 years old and is of Bavarian descent. He is a veteran and has served over 20 years in the army.

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## REPORT ON THE LIBRARY

Books Will Be Transferred to New Building Soon.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—Senator Wetmore, from the Committee on Library, today submitted to the Senate the report of the Librarian of Congress for the year ending December 31, 1896. The report states that the estimated aggregate number of volumes in the Library is 748,115, and in addition to this that there are 245,000 pamphlets. The increase over '95 is 16,674. A substantial increase in the copyright business has been made during the year. This is attributed in part to the extension of the international copyright business, especially in musical productions. There are now embraced within the privileges of the international copyright 11 foreign governments—Great Britain and her dependencies, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Belgium, Switzerland, Denmark, Chile and Mexico. During the year there were 72,470 new copyrights, an increase over the number of the year before of 4,898. The fees for 1896 amounted to \$54,870, an increase of \$2,587 over 1895.

The report states that the removal of the Library to the new building will occur immediately after the close of the extra session of Congress, and that the Library will have to be closed for a short time. Printing of new catalogues carefully arranged is urged, and Mr. Spofford says that he is now engaged in preparing a list of books which should be purchased to fill the deficiencies in the Library and that he hopes that suitable provision will be made. The report comments upon the completion of the new Library.

## RICH FIND IN EGYPT.

Ancient Papyrus Discovered in Rubbish Mounds.

A great find of ancient papyrus in Egypt has been made by Grenfell and Hunt, who are working in behalf of the Egyptian exploration fund. At Behneseh many ancient rubbish mounds yielded a rich store. In three mounds the quantity of rolls found is large enough to warrant the assumption that a part of the archives had been thrown there.

The papyrus range from the Roman conquest to early Arab times. Each century is largely represented. Most of the documents are written in Greek, with a sprinkling of Latin, Coptic and Arabic. Little is yet known of the contents, but Grenfell's hope, in digging at the site of Oxyrynchus, of finding early Christian documents is realized.

Among the papyrus is a leaf from a third century papyrus book containing a collection of the sayings of Christ. Some of these sayings are not in the gospels and others exhibit divergences from the text of the gospels. It is believed that when the papyrus is examined in detail further discoveries of Christian records, as well as fragments of lost classical literature, will be found, since in some of the mounds, a large proportion of the papyrus are written in uncials, which were largely employed during the first few centuries of the Christian era.

One hundred and fifty rolls, in many cases several feet long, have been retained at the Gizeh museum, and the rest are on the way to England.

Besides the papyrus, a number of coins, 200 inscribed tiles, bronze and ivory ornaments and other objects of the Roman and Byzantine periods have been recovered.—New York Sun.

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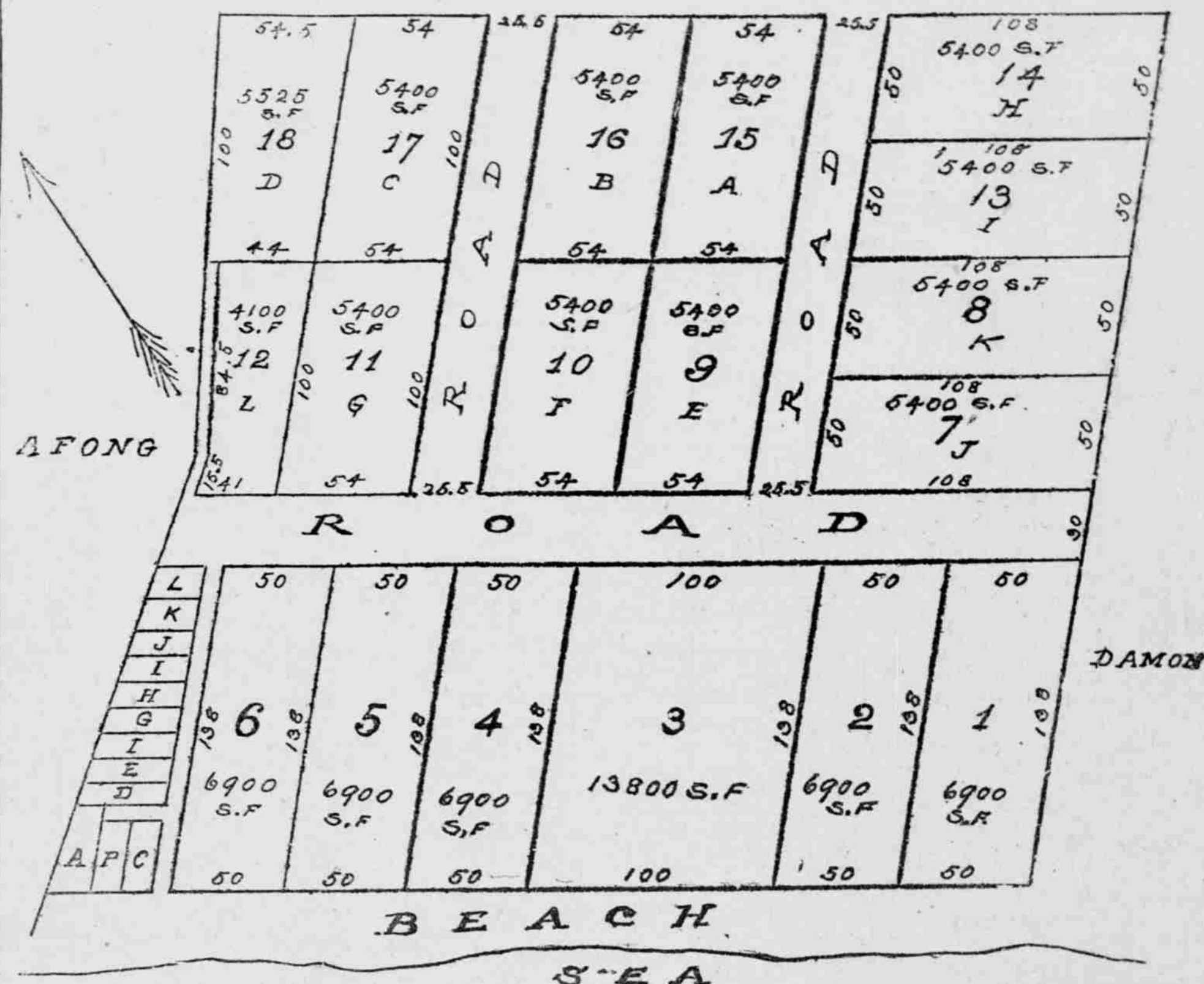
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